



DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**A BIOLOGICAL SAMPLE STORAGE DEVICE AND
METHOD FOR BIOLOGICAL SAMPLE CONTAMINATION TESTING**

the specification of which (check one) _____ is attached hereto x was filed on December 12, 2003, as U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/733,766 and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)			Priority Claimed	
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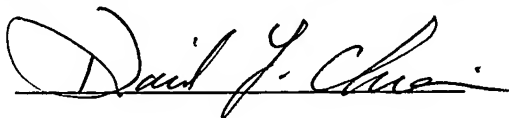
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Application Serial No.	Filing Date	Status Patented, Pending, Abandoned
60/432,665	December 12, 2002	Abandoned
60/435,287	December 23, 2002	Abandoned

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Full name of sole or **first** inventor: DAVID Y. CHIEN

Inventor's signature:



Date: March 16, 2004

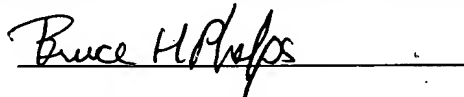
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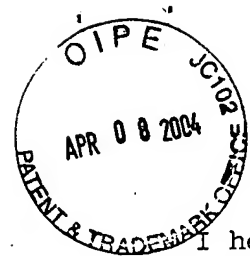


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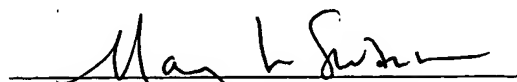
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Confirmation No.: 9349
U.S. Application No. 10/733,766
Filing Date: December 12, 2003
Group Art Unit: 1651
Examiner: Unassigned
For: A BIOLOGICAL SAMPLE STORAGE DEVICE AND
METHOD FOR BIOLOGICAL SAMPLE CONTAMINATION
TESTING

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b)

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Name: Marcella Lillis
Title: Assistant Secretary
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CHIEN, David Y.
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Name: Chiron Corporation

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Street Address: 4560 Horton Street

City: Emeryville State: CA Zip: 94608-2916

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Execution Date: March 16, 2004 and March 31, 2004

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4. Application number(s) or patent number(s):

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A. Patent Application No.(s)

U.S. Patent Application No. 10/733,766

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By: Marcella Lillis

ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, We, DAVID Y. CHIEN and BRUCE H. PHELPS hereinafter referred to as **ASSIGNORS**, have co-invented certain improvements as described and set forth in the below-identified application for United States Letters Patent:

Title of Invention: A BIOLOGICAL SAMPLE STORAGE DEVICE AND METHOD
FOR BIOLOGICAL SAMPLE CONTAMINATION TESTING

Date of Execution: March 16, 2004 and March 31, 2004

Filing Date: December 12, 2003

Serial No: 10/733,766

WHEREAS, **CHIRON CORPORATION**, located at 4560 Horton Street, Emeryville, California 94608-2916, hereinafter referred to as **ASSIGNEE**, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in the said invention and application and in any Letters Patent which may be granted on the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Be it known that, for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) lawful money paid to **ASSIGNORS** by **ASSIGNEE**, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, **ASSIGNORS** have sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto said **ASSIGNEE**, and **ASSIGNEE'S** successors and assigns, all right, title and interest in and to the said invention, said application for United States Letters Patent, and any Letters Patent which may hereafter be granted on the same in the United States and all countries throughout the world including any divisions, renewals, continuations in whole or in part, substitutions, conversions (including conversions claiming priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e)), reissues, prolongations or extensions thereof, the said interest to be held and enjoyed by said **ASSIGNEE** as fully and exclusively as it would have been held and enjoyed by said **ASSIGNORS** had this assignment and transfer not been made, to the full end and term of any Letters Patent.

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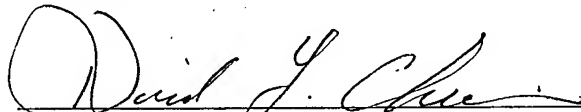
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ASSIGNORS further agree that they will, without charge to said ASSIGNEE, but at ASSIGNEE'S expense, cooperate with ASSIGNEE in the prosecution of said application and/or applications, execute, verify, acknowledge and deliver all such further papers, including applications for Letters Patent and for the reissue thereof, and instruments of assignment and transfer thereof, and will perform such other acts as ASSIGNEE lawfully may request, to obtain or maintain Letters Patent for said invention and improvement in any and all countries, and to vest title thereto in said ASSIGNEE, or ASSIGNEE'S successors and assigns.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, ASSIGNORS have hereunto signed their names to this assignment on the dates indicated below.

INVENTOR: DAVID Y. CHIEN

DATE March 16, 2004



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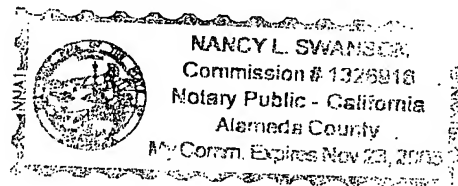
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On 3/16/04 before me, Nancy Swanson, Notary Public, personally appeared David Y. Chien personally known to me OR proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

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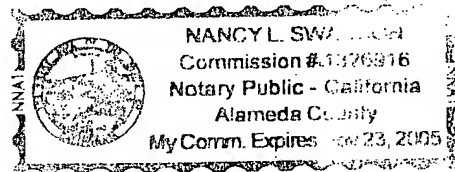
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